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IN THE U. S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Paul et al.

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Application Number: *09/903739*

Examiner: *Ludlow, I. Woodward*

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For: **SAMPLE INJECTOR FOR HIGH PRESSURE LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This preliminary amendment is directed to the accompanying Application, a Division of prior co-pending Application No. 09/548,475 filed 04/13/00, from which benefit is claimed.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first line of the Specification to read:

A1
This application is a Division of prior co-pending Application No. 09/548,475, filed 04/13/00.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-7 and 9-12.

Please add the following new claims 13-15.

A2
13. A method for injecting a sample into a microscale chromatography column, comprising:

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